IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the application of: Panasyuk et al.

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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE ACCOMPANYING REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

Dear Sir:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

This Amendment and Response is filed responsive to the final Office Action dated March 25, 2008. In view of the comments set forth below, Applicants respectfully urge reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 12 of this paper.